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FINANCE AND BUSINESS.

LUMBER BUSINESS.

GREAT FALLING OFF.

The special correspondent of the Interior from Bay City, and one evidently in possession of the figures, gives a very full review of the condition and prospects of the Saginaw lumber business. He says: There have been a limited number of lumber buyers in this market within the last few weeks, and some good sales have been made, but nothing like the usual spring activity has prevailed. The lumbermen generally attribute the stagnation to the uncertainty which have so long hung over the financial question in Congress. With remarkably few exceptions, these men cannot see how relief is to come from an aggravation of the present difficulty which they think is a lack of sufficient currency to do the business of the country. So, at a time when business should be lively our lumbermen are standing idle, waiting for a better fortune than has yet come to them. Nearly all the mills on the river have a greater or less stock of logs in the boom—enough to start up with. There are not less than 35,000,000 feet of logs in the various mill-booms, and some computations reach a much higher figure. An unusual large quantity of logs was left in the Tittabawassee river boom, which is the main source of supply, and these will, of course, be at once available for the mills. Everything necessary for an early start is therefore present, except a demand for the lumber, which has not yet come. The amount of lumber left on docks unsold last fall was about one hundred million feet, with about sixty million feet besides, which is in the hands of mill owners who ship to their own yards in the various lower lake ports. This large amount of stock on hand crowds many of the docks, and some of the lumber ship before they will have room for this year's product. An ordinary demand and the usual shipments would soon clear away the glut on the docks, and this is the only thing there is likely to be this year, for the stock of logs for the season's sawing is very short. The winter's logging was laid out on a very small scale last fall, for lumbermen had neither the means nor the courage to go into the woods for a full winter's work. The actual operations, however, were curtailed even beyond the calculations. Except on the Au Gres, Saginaw, and other of the streams which empty into Saginaw bay, the winter has been an exceedingly unfavorable one for lumbering, and the almost universal report is that the operators have fallen short of their intended crop from one-third to one-half. On the streams which send their logs to the Tittabawassee river, for instance, where the yearly product of logs is usually counted by hundreds of millions, not more than 75,000,000 feet have been put in the past winter. On the Cass, also, which had been furnishing blackwater timber for the previous winter about 100,000,000 feet, it is computed that 30,000,000 feet will cover all the operations last winter. The shortage in logs may be seen by the following carefully prepared estimate of the amount which it will be possible to get to the river mills if the season gives a better running stage of water in the various streams than is usually had. With such a running season, there are the following

AMOUNTS OF LOGS

Which may come to the mills from the streams named:

From the Tittabawassee.....200,000,000
From the Cass.....50,000,000
From the Au Gres.....20,000,000
From the Saginaw.....10,000,000
From the Kalamazoo.....10,000,000
From other shore streams.....5,000,000

A total of.....405,000,000

In the estimates above are included all the logs left over in the streams last fall. For instance, the calculation for the Tittabawassee river is made thus: The best information to be obtained from the boom company and log owners makes the amount of old logs in the river 230,000,000. To this I have added two-thirds of the new crop—more than is likely to be cut—and the total is 280,000,000. There are about twenty million old logs in the Cass, and about thirty million new are reported. But as there are always numerous small lots put in along this stream and not usually counted among the regular operations, I have added 5,000,000 to the old and new stocks reported. The computations for the other streams are made in the same way, but it is not necessary to give details in each case. The prospect of running the logs into the main streams and to the mills are

not generally favorable. The shore streams, the Au Gres, and Kalamazoo, will probably have a little difficulty, as over most of that region there is still a large quantity of snow. In the country drained by the Tittabawassee and its tributaries, the snow has gone, and there is nothing to depend upon to raise the streams to a fair log-running stage except rain. That is, as every lumberman knows only a slim dependence at the best; it comes in a day, and is gone usually before the men have broken the roll-ways on the head-waters. A freshet subsides on the Tittabawassee, the Cass, etc., in half the time it did fifteen years ago—fact due to the denudation of the country of its forests.

In the above table are calculated all the logs which can come out if there be a season of enough rain to raise the streams and keep them up. It would take an unusual quantity of rain to do this. The probabilities are, therefore, against the above amount of logs coming to the mills, and the figures must be taken as the outside limit. The other extreme, or the lowest amount to which the product of our lumbering streams may be reduced this season, is estimated by good judges at 200,000,000, containing old and new logs, as in the other calculation. Two hundred millions, it may be safely asserted, are sure to come to the mills. Above that figure, the uncertainties of log running came in. The extent of the shortage may be seen when it is stated that the shipments of lumber for the river last year footed up nearly five hundred million feet, and it was called a very bad season. The capacity of the mills on the river is over eight hundred and eighty million feet for the ordinary sawing season, counting 12 hours' work to the day. So it will be seen that even if all of the 405,000,000 feet above estimated should come down, it would be only enough to busy the mills to the extent of half their capacity.

GENERAL MARKET REVIEW.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE INDIANAPOLIS WHOLESALE MARKETS.

MONDAY EVENING, April 6.

The general merchandise market has been moderately active during the past week, but no excitement has been noticeable. For the season, trade is very good, and money a little more easy.

RECEIPTS AND SALES.

ELEVATOR RECEIPTS—March.

Corn.....bushels.
Oats.....do.
Wheat.....do.

SALES—RECEIPTS BY RAILROAD.

Wheat.....do.
Oats.....do.
Corn.....do.

BREADSTUFFS.

Flour—Prices are well maintained, though a little low. Quoted as follows:
Family brands.....2 70/100
Extra.....5 50/100
Low grade.....5 00/100

MILL FEED—Firm and unchanged. Bran and shorts are quoted at 20¢, fine feed at 22¢, and middling 24¢.

WHEAT—Dull. Red is quoted, in elevator, at \$1.25; for amber, \$1.25; and white, \$1.25.

OATS—Very dull. Clear yellow and high mixed, shelled in elevator is quoted at 60¢; white, 60¢; ear, 50¢, white 50¢.

CORN—Quoted at 50¢ for white, per bushel, delivered in elevator.

RYE—But little on the market. Quotations are as follows for choice quality:

Barley—Quotations are held at 12¢.

BUILDING MATERIALS.

The market for building materials is improving as the season advances, with the promise of a good crop of lumber.

LUMBER—First and second clear pine, 55¢ per M; stock boards, 25¢; joists, scantling, etc., less than 18 feet, 20¢; 18 to 24 feet, 22¢; dressed siding, 25¢; flooring, Georgia hard pine, 35¢, and common, 30¢, according to quality; shingles, 4¢; 4 to 6 for pine, 4¢, 3 to 4 for white, 3¢.

CEMENT—Quoted at 22¢ per barrel. Plaster Paris—Michigan, 35¢ per barrel; Newark, 35¢ per barrel; London, 35¢ per barrel; 100 lbs. per bushel. White sand, 4¢ per bushel. Fire brick, 35¢ per M. Fire clay, 75¢ per bushel. Building brick, 35¢ per M, according to quality. Lath, pine, at 35¢. Hair, 60¢ per bushel. Nails, 10¢, 10¢, 10¢; 10¢, 10¢, 10¢; 10¢, 10¢, 10¢.

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